GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RURAL DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA

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Rural Development and Poverty Alleviation Projects
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Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the project proposals related to rural development and poverty alleviation submitted to the Union Government by the State Governments during the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise;

(b) the number of projects out of the said projects sanctioned along with the number of projects lying pending for sanction, the reasons for their pendency along with the time by which the said projects are likely to be sanctioned, State/ UT-wise;

(c) the amount allocated, released and utilized under various rural development and poverty alleviation schemes by the States during the said period and the steps taken or proposed to be taken to ensure full utilization of funds and timely completion of the said works by the Governments, State/UT-wise and Scheme-wise;

(d) the achievements of the schemes under implementation during the said period, State/UT-wise; and

(e) the number of persons belonging to Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes (SC&STs) benefited by these schemes during the above period, State/UT-wise?

Answer

MINISTER OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT
(SHRI NARENDRA SINGH TOMAR)

(a) to (e): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

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Statement referred to in reply to parts (a) to (e) of Lok Sabha Starred Question No. 406 for answer on 30.03.2017

(a) & (b): The Ministry of Rural Development, inter alia, is implementing Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (MGNREGA), Deendayal Antyodaya Yojana - National Rural Livelihood Mission (DAY-NRLM), Deen Dayal Upadhyay - Gramin Kaushalya Yojana (DDU-GKY), Pradhan Mantri Awaas Yojana −Gramin (PMAY-G), Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY) and National Social Assistance Programme (NSAP) to bring about overall improvement in the quality of life of the people in rural areas through employment generation, strengthening of livelihood opportunities, promoting self employment, skilling of rural youths, provision of social assistance and other basic amenities. Proposals related to these programmes are received from State Governments/UT Administrations time to time which are examined and actions are taken on them as per the programme guidelines. Identification and planning of works, developing shelf of projects including determination of the order of their priority under MGNREGA is done by Gram Panachayat. The Development Plan including the shelf of project to be undertaken under MGNREGA is approved by the Gram Sabha. The status of project proposals with regard to different Rural Development Programmes are given at Annexure-I.
(c) : The funds under various programmes are released to States/UTs in accordance with the programme guidelines based on their absorption capacity and utilization of available funds. The Department constantly pursues the issue of fund utilization with the state/UT governments through Performance Review Committee Meetings to ensure optimum utilization of funds and to ensure timely disbursement and sound financial management. In order to ensure that the programme benefits reach the rural poor in full measure, the Department has evolved a comprehensive multi-level and multi-tool system of monitoring and evaluation of the implementation of rural development programmes in different parts of the country which include Review by the Union Ministers, Performance Review Committee Meetings, State Vigilance & Monitoring Committees, District Development Co-ordination and Monitoring Committee named as "DISHA", submission of reports by third party monitoring through National Level Monitors, Area Officers Schemes, Concurrent Evaluation, Impact Assessment Studies, monitoring the submission of Utilization Certificates. The State/ UT-wise funds allocated, released and expenditure incurred under various rural development schemes during last three years and current year are given at Annexure-II.

(d) : The State/ UT- wise physical achievements made under various rural development schemes during the last three years and the current year are given at Annexure-III.

(e) : Specific provisions have been made under rural development programmes for Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes. Separate earmarking of funds is done for SCs and STs under PMAY-G and DAY-NRLM. The numbers of beneficiaries belonging to Scheduled caste and Scheduled Tribes, State/UT-wise, under MGNREGA, IAY, now restructured as PMAY-G and DAY-NRLM are

given at Annexure-IV.